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President's Message

Greetings All,

I hope you all are well and thriving during this most difficult time. Our nation all but eradicated polio with mass inoculations, put a man on the moon, and have persons living in outer space, surely, we can conquer this virus. We must tow the line as our generations before us. Our ancestors set out for a whole new world, facing unknowns and forged a great nation while enduring countless hardships.

As we go through these times of isolation, having less than all those amenities that we have been accustomed to, reflect on those ancestors that we so hardily research. Imagine what their lives were just day to day. I encourage everyone as you research, to spend time contemplating your ancestors' life story. Where did they live, what were occupations, what were their lives like day to day? It will add context to that newly discovered relative! Everyone has a story to tell, write it down as you find it. Research, Reflect, Record. Just a suggestion to fill idle hours.

We welcome as new members:

- Patrick Skinner of Henderson, NV. His surnames of interest are Skinner, Evans, Proctor, Winstead, Wells and Webb.
- Floride Corbett of Sumter, SC. Surnames of interest were not available at the time of publication.

The April meeting is cancelled due to the Pandemic. There will be no Spring Social. One will be scheduled for early Fall.

Stay well. We will get through this.

Yvonne

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MAY 2020 WCGS MEETING

MAY 26, 2020 7PM
Assembly Room, Wilson County Library
Speaker: Todd Johnson

Todd Johnson a public historian and church musician who lives in Smithfield, NC will present "Ava Gardner's Notable Kin" at the Wilson County Genealogical Society meeting and her ties to Wilson County. Mr. Johnson currently serves as Executive Director of the Johnston County Heritage Center and Chairman of the Ava Gardner Museum Board of Directors. Successive generations of his family have resided in Wake and Johnston County since the colonial period. He has channeled his two great loves of history and music into a lifetime of service as a local historian, genealogist, church musician, and (more recently) as a music director for community theatre.

The meeting will be held May 26 at the Wilson County Library in the Assembly Room at 7 p.m. All are welcomed to attend and there is no charge.

NAMES IN THE NEWS

Contributed by Deborah Coggins Gammon

Wilson Advance, August 15, 1895

KENLY NOTES.

Mr. Elias Ferrell says it is a girl.

Mr. Raiford Fulghum, of Wilson county, was in our town last Monday, looking as familiar [sic.] and as natural as collards.

Mr. L. B. Richardson sent me two tomatoes, from the country, which weighed two pounds and seven ounces. You see there is benefit to be derived from being a literary character.

[Editor's note: The submitted photocopy included three items which are being saved for our October Murder and Mayhem issue; however the photocopy did not include all of the Kenly News.]

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NEWSOME FAMILY
Wilson County, North Carolina

By Charles Clement Lucas, Jr. MD 30 September 2000

The earliest reference to the Newsom family is found in the Miscellanea Genealogia et Heraldica, "In 1066, Goosneigh, Threfall, and Newsham each assessed at one ploughland, were held by Earl Toetig.. .Afterwards Goosneigh and Threfall or part of them were granted out and Newsham became part of the Barony of Penwortham, the meane tenant was the Lord of Woodplumpton. "

A History of Lancashire, was published by Lancashire County, England in 1912, and shows the crest of Newsham of Newsham, The crest is Azure on a fesse argent three crosslen gules. The history further states:

"Richard de Newsham in 1291 complained that he has been disseised of his common of pasture in 13 acres of moor in Newsham by Richard de Stockport."

"In the following year Adam de Newsham and William his son were sureties in one of the Acton cases."

"Lands in Newsham and Hollowforth are named in a fine of the manor of Woodplumpton in 1662."

"Visitations of 1567 (Chetland Society) The descent was given as:
William Newsham- 2) John- 3) George- 4)John- 5) George- 6)Robert"

Thomas Newsom, citizen and Merchant of London left a will that was proved in October of 1634 which had at the foot of the will a pedigree chart. This pedigree chart further substantiated the Newsom descent.

The Miscellanea Genealogia et Heraldica on page 263 has published the Newsome pedigree.

The name initially was spelled Newsham. Other variations have been Newsam, Newsholme, Newsum, Newsom, Nusom, and Newsome.

The Newsham family lived at Newsham, England. Newsham is located north of Preston which is on the west coast of England north of Liverpool. Goosnarg is due east of Newsham.

The first documented ancestor by the Visitations is William Newsham of Newsham Hall, Newsham, Lancashire, England. His wife is not known. He was born about 1445.

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OBITUARIES

Contributed by J. Robert Boykin, III

BERTHA RAPER

Zion's Landmark, May 1, 1892 [sic. Possibly 1900]

BERTHA RAPER

Sad and sorrowful it is to me to try to write something of the sickness and death of my dear sister, Bertha. She passed through the dark valley and shadow of death Sep. 13, 1899.

She was born in Wilson Co., N. C. Dec. 10th 1883, making her stay on earth 15 years 9 months and 3 days. She was the daughter of J. R. and Jane Raper. She died of typhoid fever. She was unconscious for 11 days before her death, though sometimes would gain her consciousness for a few minutes. She said, Christ is coming and heaven is so cheerful. ... thanks be to God who doeth all things well, I feel that her warfare is over, her afflictions of body and mind are ended. She has paid the debt we all owe. I feel that our loss is her eternal gain. While she never made an open profession of faith in our Saviour, yet she was a contender for the doctrine of salvation by grace, and my dear mother is fully satisfied about her as she was so forcibly comforted by these words a few minutes after she died. "Gone to reign with God forever blest," and several other comforting words.

She was a good dutiful child, loved by all who knew her. She would often say before she was taken sick, when anything serious would happen, that every thing works for the best. ...

All was done for her that mortal hands could do, but to no avail. We shall never see her smiling face here any more. ... By her actions before she died I think she saw angels as she would point and smile so sweetly.

[Poetry omitted including a poem that she wrote before she was taken sick.]

... Written by her much bereaved sister.

LILLIE RAPER

Zion's Landmark, June 15, 1900

LILLIE RAPER.

She was the daughter of J. R. and Jane Raper, born in Johnston county, December 22, 1888, and died October 11th, 1899, at Enfield, N. C. She was sick five weeks with typhoid fever. It had been but just four weeks since dear Bertha died with the same fever. O how we miss the precious ones around the fireside. Though her life was so short on earth, we feel that she is now in heaven, ... Lillie had the sweetest disposition of any child I ever saw, and was the favorite of all who knew her. I often heard people say she would not live long, that she was too good and sweet. During her sickness she read the Testament until tears would come in her eyes. I would tell her she was too weak to read, that I would read for her. She would ask me to read the dear *Landmark* to her. Three days before she died mama asked her if she wished to turn over, and she said no, I hate to leave Bertha. She was not asleep, and I think she saw Bertha's spirit. ...

Written by their much-bereaved sister,

LULA RAPER.

MARY JANE DAVIS

Wilson Daily Times, October 1, 1914

Miss Mary Jane Davis

Miss Mary Jane Davis of Old Fields township, 54 years old died yesterday and was buried today at the old home place 1 1-2 miles south of Simms. She leaves a sister and five brothers as follows: Miss Annie Davis and Messrs. John E. Davis, Dempsey Davis, W. R. Davis, Albert Davis and D. J. Davis.

The deceased was a kind neighbor and friend and highly esteemed by all who knew her

DOROTHY HINNANT

Wilson Daily Times, August 13, 1914

Death of Mrs. Hinnan't Mother

At her home in Edgecombe county, about nine miles from Rocky Mount, some time last night, Mrs. Dorothy Hinnant, wife of Mr. W. A. Hinnant and the mother of Mr. J. R. Hinnant of Wilson, passed away at the age of 65 years. The funeral services will be held this afternoon at the homestead at 1 o'clock. Mr. J. R. Hinnant is attending the funeral.

(Obituaries continued on page 41)

MISSIONARY JOURNAL OF WALTER MARION EVERTON
October 1, 1896-1898

16 Oct 1896 We stayed at Mr. Pearson's till afternoon when we went to Mr. Thos. Eatmans and stayed to supper. After supper ... we went to Free Will Baptist meeting to "hear our funeral preached." The preacher, Rev. Frost said it had been reported that he was to preach on M-o-r-m-o-n-i-s-m. "I treat all such subjects with silent contempt." ... Elder Hunter and I stayed with Bro. Thos. Eatman all night.

17 Oct 1896 Saturday. After breakfast Elders Priday and Dalley came around and stayed at Mr. Eatmans with us till after dinner when [two pages missing in the original journal].

19 Oct 1896 [first part missing] Mr. Matt Lamm's where we had dinner. After dinner awhile we went down the country to Mr. Ransom Mussers where we had supper. After supper we walked a mile or so to Mr. E. J. Finns ... Had quite a few out to hear us. Stayed with Mr. Finn during the night.

20 Oct 1896 Tuesday. Had breakfast and dinner with Mr. Finn, after which we went down to Mr. C. W. O'Neal's and from there down to Mr. W. H. Harrison's ... Came back to Mr. O'Neal's. After supper Elder Priday & Hunter came in. We talked until nearly nine o'clock, when they went down to Mr. Owens and Elder Dalley and I retired ...

21 Oct 1896 Wednesday. Stayed with Mr. O'Neal till after dinner ... We went to a cornshucking and stayed till about night when we went home with Mr. Owens.

22 Oct 1896 Thursday. ... Left Mr. Owen's at 8:00 a.m. ... Elder Dalley & I went out to W. H. Harrison's where we stayed over night. Had a long talk with Mr. Harrison before bed time.

23 Oct 1896 Friday. Left Mr. Harrison's after breakfast and went north to Mrs. Dews (4 mi.) where we had dinner. Went on 3 mi. to Mr. Ben Thompson's. When we arrived there it was raining. We went in and sat and read for a while till night when we had supper and conversed with Mr. Parker & Mr. Thompson when we retired.

24 Oct 1896 Saturday. Arose quite early. Some time after breakfast we started off. Went over to Mr. K. Batt's place, about 4 miles. Stayed at his place during all day and all night. Had meeting at night in Hale's S. H. [schoolhouse]. Had a good crowd out to hear us ...

25 Oct 1896 Sunday. ... Meeting at 3. Good crowd. I preached. Went home with Mr. Batts. Stayed with him all night.

26 Oct 1896 Monday. ... Walked three miles to Elm City. ... We went east to Mr. John Boykin's where we stopped and rested. ... Stopped at night with Mr. David Bailey of Toisnot.

27 Oct 1896 Tuesday. ...We left Mr. Bailey ... [went to Wilson] Elder H. and I walked out of town 6 mi, to Amos Pearson's where we arrived after dark. Had supper, and after conversing for an hour or so retired to sleep well. Mrs. Pearson treats us all right.

28 Oct 1896 Wednesday. Left Mr. Pearson's about 8 o'clock. Walked up the country to Ruffin Eatman's, ... We went to Mr. Pharoh Narron's and stayed all night.

29 Oct 1896 Thursday. ... Stayed at Mr. Narrons till after dinner. ... After dinner we went up to Ruffin Eatman's. I had dinner again. We stayed there during the afternoon and after supper and a talk with the folks we retired. ...

30 Oct 1896 Friday. Arose early. After breakfast went to Wm. Windham's (1-1/2 mi.) ... Went from there to Mr. J. J. Wilsons where we had dinner. ... Talked gospel to Mr. Wilson. ... We then went back to Mr. Eatman's, ... Stayed again with Mr. Eatman.

31 Oct 1896 Saturday. We stayed at Mr. Eatman's during the morning. ... Elder Dalley & I went over and stayed with Mr. Wilson. Went to Free Will preaching at night. ...

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The deceased was well known in her community where she had lived all of her life. She leaves a large circle of relatives and friends who will mourn her departure. Her sween [sic.? sweet?] and christian life will be missed by all who knew her. Besides her husband, Mrs. Hinnant leaves five sons, Messrs. J. R. of Wilson, J. S. of Rocky Mount, Hugh, Henry and Edwin, one brother, Mr. William Sly and two sisters, Mesdames Lancaster and Calhoun of Rocky Mount.

IREDELL JOHNSON
Wilson Daily Times, December 7, 1914

Mr. Iredell Johnson

The remains of Mr. Iredell Johnson of Columbia, S. C., were laid to rest in the cemetery at Pleasant Hill Church near Elm City last week, the services being conducted by the Odd Fellows, Red Men and Woodmen of the World.

Mr. Johnson was the son of Mr. Bolan Johnson, formerly of Wilson county.

The deceased resided in Columbia, S. C. and left here two years ago. He is 45 years of age and leaves a wife and four children and a sister, Mrs. Ed. Hawkins of this city. He was foreman of a concrete plant in Columbia and was highly esteemed by a large circle of friends in that city and in this section.

GEORGE R. LYNN
Wilson Daily Times, September 8, 1914

Geo. R. Lynn

The remains of Mr. Geo. R. Lynn were brought here today from Rocky Mount for interment and laid to rest in Maplewood cemetery.

The deceased has been engaged in the lumber business nearly all his life. He lived in Wilson some fifteen years ago, removing from here to Rocky Mount where some four years ago he was afflicted with paralysis. He was highly esteemed 57 years of age and leaves 3 girls and one boy.

WWII NEWSLETTERS, NEWSPAPERS NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE

The Associated Press

Raleigh—North Carolina's online archival military collection now includes installation camp newsletters and newspapers that contain little-known information about life in the state during World War II.

The collection is available as part of a two-year digitization project that the State Archives of North Carolina began in 2018 to commemorate the 75th anniversary of WWII. The project includes newsletter issues from installations such as Camp Lejeune, Camp Davis, Morris Field, and Elizabeth City Naval Air Station.

People have been able to use the newsletters for research since 1947, but they had to do that at the State Archives rather than online.

State officials say the newsletters provide important information, including names of individuals in military units, civilian workers in various departments on base, female civilian and military personnel working at the installations, and news of casualties of people formerly stationed at those bases.

These newsletters also contain information regarding military entertainment, parades, and sports that were held on and off bases or posts for civilians in the communities surrounding the military in-

Upcoming Meetings for Wilson County Genealogical Society

- September 29—Eric Jackson, "Blacks in the American Revolution"
- October 27—Brian Grawburg, title to announced later
- November 24—Donnie Lowe, "An Adoptee's Search to Find His Birth Parents," (rescheduled from March 2020)

WILLIAM PAGE'S FAMILY BY WIVES SUSAN AND RACHEL HICKS

Contributed by Albert R. Page, Sr.

Introduction

William Page and the Hicks sisters, Susan and Rachel's, family history spans about 133 years from father William Page's birth in about 1812 to his last child Victoria's death in 1945 at Elm City, North Carolina. William Page first married Susan Hicks then her sister Rachel three years later after the death of Susan. This Page family of at least eleven members were very average folk during their thirteen or so decades in old Edgecombe County and later the new Wilson County. They tended to be a very close family, and during most of their early lives lived together supporting one another by tenant farming. No land record could be found for William Page in either Edgecombe or Wilson Counties. Later family members did have land but did not keep it permanently. Father William Page was a tenant farmer or farm laborer all his life. None of the male members in this family served in the Civil War that this writer could find in the twenty *North Carolina Troops* military volumes. Nevertheless, they did not escape the hardships of that period and in the post-war years. The birth span of the children born into this William Page family was from 1845 to 1868. William, his two wives and their nine children were included in the Edgecombe and Wilson County census records from 1850 to 1900. For the purposes of this paper, the writer will follow the historical development of the Page family through the government records as best as is possible.

The Early Edgecombe County Years

No public record of William Page, Susan or Rachel Hicks was found in Edgecombe County until their marriages in the 1840's. Prior to that time they may have been living with their parents, but no good match for them was found in any Page or Hicks families. William D. Bailey, her son, was the "informant" on the death certificate of daughter Victoria Page Bailey in 1945, and he reported that her parents were from Pitt County.[1] If that be the case, their exact arrival in Edgecombe County cannot be calculated with any accuracy by this writer. It is a fact that they were in Edgecombe County in the middle of the 1840's as they appear in the Edgecombe marriage records then. Williams and Griffin listed William Page having married Susan Hicks 10 March 1845. Martin Gardner was their witness.[2] The Gardners were longtime residents of the general area of what is now called Gardners Township. They seem likely to have lived south and east of what is today Elm City. William Page and wife Susan Hicks probably took up farming in Gardners Township for someone else as no evidence appears that they had any land of their own. Susan Hicks Page gave birth to son Ralph Bennett Page 18 February 1846 or 1847.[3] Then sister Elizabeth "Ellen" Page was born 14 February 1848.[4] Ellen Page survived her birth, but it appears to this writer that her mother Susan Hicks Page did not overcome the trauma of the birth process. The Edgecombe County marriage records reported that William Page married again just three months after baby Ellen Page was born. William Page had a very young infant and a son who was only about two years old. He needed help instantly for his young children. Susan Hicks Page's sister Rachel Hicks was the nearest natural solution to William's problem. She was probably younger than Susan by several years, but she took on the responsibility and married William Page 31 May 1848.[5] She welcomed the opportunity and raised her sister's children and was a credit to that family. Bennett and Ellen Page, because they were so young, probably could not remember their real mother. Stepmother and aunt Rachel Hicks likely was the only mother they recalled in their lives. Later in their lives, they were told that Susan was really their biological birth mother.[6]

The informative 1850 Edgecombe County Census gave valuable insight on the subject of this Page family as it was then. William Page's family was enumerated as number 504 next to Dempsey Gardner (no. 503), John Garrett (no. 505), Enos Harrell (no. 506), Wright Wiggins (no. 507) and Bennett P. Pitt (no. 509).[7] All these men were big land owners and William Page probably farmed for one of them on their land. In this census schedule, William Page was listed as a "cooper" in the occupation category. Maybe he found employment both as a barrel maker and farmer for his neighbors. According to the government record, William Page was reported to have been thirty-five years old. This indicates he was born in 1815, likely in Pitt County. Wife and mother Rachel Hicks Page was listed as being fifteen years younger than husband William. She seems to have been born in 1830 if this record is correct. There were still only two children in the household at that time, and son Ralph Bennett was listed as three and his sister Ellen was two.[8] It seems likely that Rachel Page was pregnant at about this time, and soon, in either 1850 or early 1851, she gave birth to her first biological child. It was a son they named John Robert Page.[9] Another son followed 30 April 1853, named after his father with the given name of William H.[10] Rachel Page birthed her first female baby in 1855, and they named her Mary Page.[11]

Then in 1860, before the census agent came around to collect each families' information, Rachel gave birth to another son, Thomas Page, who was born about May of that year.[12] By this time, the William Page family had grown to a total of eight members.[13] That translates into a lot of work for father William and mother Rachel to feed, clothe, and house their family.

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(William Page continued from page 42)

Under normal times, this responsibility was considerable, but by 1860 conditions in the United States over the differences between the North and South caused these two sections of the country to explode into first political separation and then physical combat. It is not likely anyone wanted that heavy burden to be dumped on the ountry.

The Civil War Years and Its Aftermath

The Civil War dominated the United States' interest during the first half of the decade of the 1860's. Father William Page was less than fifty years old when the war broke out in April of 1861. No record could be identified that linked William Page with the Confederate Army. His oldest son Ralph Bennett Page was about thirteen years old and too young to serve as was the case with younger sons John Robert and William H. This family escaped military service, but they experienced all the other burdens caused by the war. Life went on for them in many of the usual ways, but everything was under duress during the war years of 1861 to 1865.

Going back to the 1860 Wilson County Census helps the interested to be abreast of the up to date personal information on William Page's family at that time and period. As does most census reports, the 1860 record was full of interesting bits of news and description about families in Wilson County. We find out that William Page's family lived close to land owners Thomas Johnston, Thomas Baker, Stephen Cherry, W. W. Batts, Eli Robbins and William Skinner.[14] These families were clearly in what is now Gardners Township. William Page was reported to have been forty-six years old and wife Rachel was listed as being twenty-six. Their six children were enumerated as being from thirteen to one month old.[15] Because baby Thomas Page was not listed again or anywhere else, it is believed by this writer that he died early. As was the case with William Page's first wife Susan Hicks, this writer does not know the burial location of mother Susan or Thomas, but it is likely that they were buried in Gardners Township in one of the local land owners' graveyards close to where they lived.

After 1860 and during the war, Rachel birthed son Beauregard Page 26 September 1862.[16] In 1864 she gave birth to her second daughter whom they named Louisa Page.[17] Rachel Page gave birth to Victoria Page, her last child, in 1868.[18] It is possible that Rachel had other children, but, due to the lack of documentation, this information can't be verified at the present time.

Endnotes and Comments

1. Register of Deeds, Wilson County Courthouse. bk. 45, pg. 238, "Victoria Bailey."
2. Ruth Smith Williams & Margarette Glenn Griffin, *Marriages of Early Edgecombe County, North Carolina, 1733-1868*, pg. 118.
3. Ralph Bennett Page's parents married 10 March 1845. His headstone states he was born 18 Feb 1845. This writer feels that is a mistake and the year of his birth should be either 1846 or 1847.
4. Joan L. Howell, *Wilson County, North Carolina, Cemeteries, Vol. II*, pg. 323. "Ellen Page," also see "Bennett Page" headstone information.
5. Same source above, no. 2.
6. On the death certificates of Bennett Page and his sister Ellen, the informant listed Susan Hicks as their mother.
7. Dr. Stephen E. Bradley, Jr., *The 1850 Federal Census, Edgecombe County, North Carolina*, pg. 19, no. 504.
8. Same source above, no. 7.
9. Joan L. Howell, *Wilson County, North Carolina, Federal Census of 1860*, pg. 78, no. 749.
10. Same source above, no. 4, "Willian H. Page's" birth.
11. Same source above, no. 9, "Mary Page."
12. Same source above, no. 9, "Thomas Page"
13. Same source above, no. 9.
14. Same source above, no. 9, see surrounding families on pgs. 78-79.
15. Same source above, no. 9, "William Page family."
16. Find a Grave for "Beauregard Page"
17. Joan L. Howell, *Wilson County, North Carolina, Federal Census of 1870*, pg. 66, no. 212, "Louisa Page."
18. Same as above, no. 17, "Victoria Page."

(William Page continued in next issue of TREES)

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The son of William was John who was born about 1467 and died about 1516 at Newsham Hall, Newsham, England. He married Sicile Singleton of Newsham. The family of Singleton had been awarded a coat of arms.

The son of John was George Newsham born about 1502, and died after 1567. He married Alice Kighley who was the daughter of Sir. Knight Kighley of Inskipp Co. Lane. Kighley commanded the archers at Flodden Field in 1513.

One of the sons of George Newsham was John Newsham born about 1520 at Newsham Hall. He married Grace Preston daughter of Henry Preston, Gentleman of Preston. John Newsham is mentioned extensively in the "History of the Parochial Chapelry of Goosnargh", written in 1871 by Henry Fishwick.

A son of John Newsham and Grace Preston was George Newsham born 1537 at Newsham Hall. He married 1) Elizabeth Elston daughter of Rafe Elston, Gentleman of Brockholes, Lancashire. He married 2) Catherine Colville daughter of Thomas Colville, Gentleman of Richmond.

Robert Newsham son of George and Catherine was born 1553 in Newsham Hall, Newsham, England. He married Elizabeth Sherbourne, from Greenhalgh Castle, Lancashire. In 1567, the Visitations occurred in Lancashire and the Newsham family pedigree was recorded. No pedigree was recorded after that time by the Visitations. Greenhalgh Castle was built in 1490 by Thomas 1 st Earl of Derby. It was later ordered demolished by Cromwell. Robert Newsham died at Bispham, Lancashire, England.

Thomas Newsham, born 1586, son of Robert and Elizabeth was a London tailor. It is his will, proved October 1634 that the College of Arms, London, England has used to prove the Newsom family pedigree through William Newsome born 1610.

William Newsham, Sr. born 1584, was another son of Robert and Elizabeth. He married Lucille Singleton of Lancashire. They had three known children:

Robert born	1610
Richard born	1612
William, Jr. born	1614

In the mid 1600's, the Newsham family name became known as Newsom. The will of Thomas Newsom, Tailor, 1634, London, was written as Newsom.

William Newsham/Newsom Jr. born 1610 is thought to have been the first Newsom who settled in Virginia. A William Neesom is recorded (Hotten, Original List of Emigrants 1600-1700) as having departed from London 21 August 1635, in the George for Virginia. Charles Hamlin, genealogist, and Dr. George Newsome, Professor of History, Athens, Georgia, believe that William Newsom was in Virginia before 03 May 1636.

In 1636, William Newsom, Jr. was granted 550 acres in James City County, Virginia for transportation of 11 persons: himself, three wives, and 7 other persons-named. Land grants were made based upon 50/ acres per person transported. This land became known as Rich Neck. It was located near Bacon's Castle, near Lawnes Creek on the west side of the James River west of Jamestowne.

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THEY MOVED AWAY

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Catharine Bryant Price

Catharine Bryant, daughter of Arthur Bryant and wife Elizabeth Peelle, married Rice Price at Contentnea Monthly Meeting on December 13, 1783 (Hinshaw, p. 300). On March 14, 1807, Catharine Price and her five living daughters received a certificate of removal to a Monthly Meeting in Ohio (Hinshaw, p. 317). Perhaps the rest of the family went to Ohio at the same time. (For children's births, see Hinshaw, p. 297).

1. Sarah Price was born August 31, 1784.
2. James Price was born March 26, 1786.
3. Elizabeth Price was born March 1, 1788, and died January 2, 1795.
4. Mary Price was born May 25, 1790.
5. Catharine Price was born June 15, 1792.
6. Rice Price, Jr., was born September 19, 1794.
7. Anna Price was born January 27, 1797.
8. Zilphia Price was born July 14, 1799.
9. Robert Price was born August 13, 1804.

Jemima Bridges Sholar

Jemima Bridges, daughter of Drewry Bridges and wife Charity Calhoun, was born on October 12, 1795, in Edgecombe County, North Carolina, and died on July 22, 1877, in Trigg County, Kentucky, being buried in the James Thomas Graveyard. On October 20, 1812, in Christian (now Trigg) County, she married Allen Sholar, son of Benjamin Sholar and wife Uredica "Dicey" Thomas. He was born on May 26, 1793, in Bertie County, North Carolina, and died on January 29, 1853, at his home on Donaldson Creek in Trigg County.

Children of Allen and Jemima (Bridges) Sholar

1. David Sholar was born September 3, 1813, and died January 6, 1860.
2. Mary "Pollie" Sholar was born July 1, 1815, and married Ezekiel Lawrence in 1837. She was living with her son-in-law in 1880.
3. Sarah Sholar was born July 6, 1817.
4. William Benjamin Sholar was born June 10, 1819, and died March 21, 1892.
5. Elizabeth Sholar was born March 17, 1821, and married James H. Lawrence in 1841.
6. Allen Sholar, Jr., was born August 22, 1823, and died September 14, 1855.
7. Thomas Sholar was born April 26, 1825, and died June 23, 1873.
8. Emily Sholar was born January 20, 1827, and died unmarried November 10, 1855.
9. Alpha Sholar was born February 28, 1829, and died January 26, 1914.
10. Drewry Bridgers Sholar was born May 16, 1831, and died February 11, 1889. On January 12, 1860, he married Martha Jane Carr, who died May 11, 1869. On December 24, 1871, in Trigg County, he married secondly Helen Wiles, daughter of David Wiles and wife Sarah "Sally" Gold. She was born March 13, 1849, in Mecklenburg County, Virginia, and died July 28, 1924, in Hopkinsville, Kentucky.
11. Peyton Sholar was born on July 25, 1834, and died on December 20, 1883.

Isaac Wilson

Isaac Wilson was born March 16, 1781, in Edgecombe County, North Carolina, and died June 5, 1845, in Meriwether County, Georgia, where he was a preacher and Post Master. In 1799 he moved to Hancock County, Georgia, and married about 1800 Sarah ___ (1785-January 30, 1852). In 1820, they were living in Putham County, Georgia, and by 1833, in Meriwether County.

THE WILL OF DELANA AMASON

North Carolina State Archives, Edgecombe County Wills, Delana Amason
Edgecombe County, North Carolina, Will Book Volume F, page 262

In the name of God Amen!
I Delana Amason of the County of Edgecombe and State of North Carolina being weak in bodily health, but of sound mind & memory do make & ordain this my last Will & Testament.

After recommending my Soul to God that gave it & my body to be decently buried by my Exr. do dispose of my property with which God has blessed me in the manner & form following viz.—

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William Newsom, Jr. married 1) Penelope Ramsey, 2) Sarah Fisher, 3) Elizabeth Wilson, and 4) Gertrude. A son of William Newsom, Jr. and Gertrude was William Newsom, III.

William Newsom, III was born 1648 in Surry County, Virginia. He was known as the Planter of Lawnes Creek. He had extensive land holdings; some with Robert Ruffin. Boddie, Surry County, referred to William Newsom as one of the "fairly well to do." In 1668 he married Anne Sheppard, daughter of Major Robert Sheppard. She had previously been married to Thomas Hart. This marriage has enabled descendants to join the following organizations:

Jamestowne Society
Order of Descendants of Ancient Planters
Sons and Daughters of the Colonial and Antebellum Bench and Bar Society of Colonial Wars
National Society of Sons of the American Colonists
National Society of Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims

William Newsom, III left a will in Surry County in 1691. He left his plantation in Rich Neck to his son William. He left another plantation to his son John.

John Newsom, son of William Newsom, Jr. and Anne Sheppard was born 1675. He married Sarah Crafford (Crawford), daughter of Robert Crafford and Elizabeth Carter. Robert Crafford held 1000 acres of Carter land in 1704. John Newsom left a will in 1724 in Surry County, Virginia, and named two children: William and Joel Newsom. John left his plantation to his son William. He left several slaves to Joel.

Joel Newsom born 1717, son of John Newsom and Sarah Crafford married Rebecca Dickenson, daughter of John Dickenson born in Chowan County, North Carolina, and later of Surry County, Virginia, and moved in 1726 to that part of Bertie County, North Carolina, that later became Northampton County. This was in the area of Rich Square. Joel and Rebecca Newsom were Quakers and attended the Rich Square Monthly Meeting. Joel left a will dated February 1752 in Northampton County, North Carolina and named all of his children:

1) Hosea	born 1740	moved to Hertford County.
2) John	born 1740	married Patience Ann Hinnant
3) David	born 1742	married Sarah Peelle
4) Joel Newsome, Jr.	born 1742	married Penelope
5) William	born 1746	married Mary Jordan
6) Issac	born 1747	married Mary Mollie Dortch

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OTHER LOCAL MEETINGS

Edgecombe County Genealogical Society meets at 7:00 pm, third Thursdays, at Edgecombe County Memorial Library, Tarboro, N. C.

Farmville, N. C., Ancestor Seekers meets 10 am, second Saturdays, at Farmville Public Library, Farmville, N. C.

Greene County Family Researchers meets at 7:30 pm, third Thursdays, at Greene County Museum, Snow Hill, N. C.

Old Dobbs Genealogical Society meets at 10:30 am, third Saturdays of each calendar quarter, at Wayne County Public Library, Goldsboro, N. C.

Pitt County Family Researchers meets at 7:00 pm, third Tuesdays, at Sheppard Memorial Library, Greenville, N. C.

Tar River Connections Genealogical Society meets at 6:30 pm, third Tuesdays of each month, except Dec., at Braswell Memorial Library, Rocky Mount, N. C.

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1st I lend to my beloved daughter Jemima Amason part of the Tract of Land whereon I now live which I purchased of Theophilus Gay & wife; the end towards the Road extending down to a fence near a branch, which Runs across said Tract of Land; during her natural life; or single life.—I give & bequeath to my beloved daughter Jemima Amason: one Gray horse, one negro man named Ned, two choice Cows & Calves, two choice sows & pigs & six head of sheep, one half of my working tools of all kinds; & one half of my plow gear, one Cart & wheels; all of my kitchen furniture; one Loom & gear, one Chest one half dozen mulberry Chairs, & a half dozen Chairs purchased of Henry Woodard; Eighteen hundred weight of live pork, seventy five barrels of corn, seven blade stacks & two top stacks, to she & her heirs forever. My will & desire is that all my Children who now live with me to Remain together & be supported out of the provisions left Jemima for one year.—
2nd I give & bequeath to my beloved daughter Elizabeth Amason Twenty dollars in Cash to she & her heirs forever
3rd I give & bequeath to my beloved daughter Alsa Johnson, six plates & two bowls, to she & her heirs forever—
4th I give & bequeath to my beloved son John Amason one dollar to him & his heirs forever—
5th I give & bequeath to my beloved daughter Delana Amason one feather bed & bedstead, all my stock of geese, one woolen wheele & one linen wheele, one Loom which I purchased of Sally Dickinson to she & her heirs forever—
6th I give & bequeath to my beloved son Isaac Uriah Amason the balance of the Tract of Land which I purchased of Henry Woodard not now owned by him; & the balance of my sheep not given to Jemima & my Yoke of Oxen to him & his heirs forever
7th I give & bequeath to my beloved son David Williams Amason all my Lands I now own except that lent to Jemina & that after her marriage or death, one Colt two years old last spring, one bed bedstead & furniture, one blue Chest the one formerly Called Delana's, all my Notes now on hand, to him & his heirs forever—
8th I give & bequeath to my beloved grand daughter Pennina Jane Rogers my Riding saddle—
9th I give & bequeath to my grand daughter Martha Ann Delana Rogers, one blue chest purchased of Sally Dickinson—
10th I give & bequeath to my grand Children William W. Thos. J. & Elisha Amason each one dollar
11th I give & bequeath to my beloved grand Children Mary Ann, Hariett & Mariah Gay each one dollar—

My Will & desire is that all my property not given away in this will be sold by my Ext. on a Credit of six months & after paying all my Just debts, the balance of the money arising from said Sale I give & bequeath to my beloved son David W. Amason to him & his heirs forever—

I do hereby nominate & appoint my beloved son Isaac Uriah Amason my whole & sole Executor to this my last Will & Testament & I do hereby make Void & Revoke all former Wills made by me—
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal This fourth day of September one thousand Eight hundred & forty-one—
Signed in presents of
Lewis Ellis
Jese Applewhite

her
Delana X Amason Seal
mark

The foregoing Will & Testament of Delana Amason dec'd. was exhibited in open court for probate and was duly proven by the oaths of Lewis Ellis and Jesse Applewhite the subscribing Witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded—at the same time Isaac Uriah Amason the Executor therein named in sd Will, was duly qualified as such

Test. Jn. Norfleet Clke

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